

**SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

SUBJECT: Chamber of Commerce Locating to The Villages Sumter County Service Center
(Current Property Appraiser's Office)

REQUESTED ACTION: Provide Direction

☐ Work Session (Report Only) **DATE OF MEETING:** 11/23/2010
☒ Regular Meeting ☐ Special Meeting

CONTRACT: ☒ N/A Vendor/Entity: _____
Effective Date: _____ Termination Date: _____
Managing Division / Dept: _____

BUDGET IMPACT: In kind use of space
☒ Annual **FUNDING SOURCE:** General Fund
☐ Capital **EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT:** _____
☐ N/A

HISTORY/FACTS/ISSUES:

The Sumter County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) recently approved an agreement with the Sumter County Chamber of Commerce (SCCOC) providing almost \$17,000.00 in funding for there support and liaison activities with the businesses of Sumter County. The original request did include the provision of space for the SCCOC operations which was contemplated at 910 North Main Street in Bushnell. The BOCC raised objections regarding this level of partnership during its budget workshop and therefore the space was not provided.

At the 11/9/10 BOCC meeting the BOCC authorized a review of providing space to the SCCOC at The Villages Sumter County Service Center with an eye to collocating adjacent to Sumter County Economic Development (E5 Solutions) for the purpose of collaboration, providing a consistent presence in the space, and to upgrade the professional space appearance of the SSCOC.

Representatives of the SCCOC visited the location on 11/12/10 following my dialogue with the Property Appraiser regarding the relocation of his field appraiser to the building/planning/fire area on the 1st floor. On 11/12/10 all parties were open to the concept and in fact the SCCOC was thrilled with the opportunity as well as cost cutting opportunity for their operations. On 11/15/10 the Property Appraiser viewed the proposed relocation area and was supportive of the same.

Direction is needed as follows:

1. Proceed with amending the SCCOC contract (to appear on the 12/14/10 BOCC agenda) to provide the space which will include electricity, water, sewer, VoIP service, cleaning, parking, use of the 1st floor break area, bathrooms, and scheduled use of the 2nd floor or 1st floor conference rooms effective January 1, 2011. Accommodating the field appraiser of the Property Appraiser in a systems furniture setting located adjacent to the GIS Team and future use of an existing system furniture setting adjacent to the service counter (fire will relocate from one of its 2 settings).
 2. Do Nothing
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